



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

DONG et al.

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AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2003, and the Advisory Action dated December 2, 2003, please consider the Response and Amendment filed on October 20, 2003 as well as the following amendments and remarks. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) of \$385.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-0219. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional necessary fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 to maintain the pendency of this application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.